a Rainbow, only the Colours very faint. It was in a horizontal Direction North of the Sun, and from it projected a long luminous Ray, which terminated in a Point. —— It continu'd very ſtrong for more than half an Hour after I ſaw it, and then vaniſh'd away by degrees.

P. Collinſon.

VII. *Extract of a Letter from Mr.* Benjamin Cooke *F.R.S. to Mr.* Peter Collinſon *F.R.S. concerning the Property of* new Flanel *ſparkling in the dark.*

Newport, Iſle of Wight, Jan. 13. 1746-7.

Read March 19. 1746-7.

SINCE I have read the *Tranſaction* N°. 476. with reſpect to the ſparkling Lady, who could communicate a kind of electrical Fire to her Garments, I can give you an Inſtance nearly like it, of a Lady who was ſurpriſed at ſuch an Appearance from a Flanel Petticoat, which ſhe happen'd to ſhake in the dark. But at laſt we found, that new Flanel, after ſome time wearing, would acquire this Property; but that it loſt it by being *waſhed*.